

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The claims in this listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-23. (Canceled).

24. (Currently Amended) A server connected with a terminal apparatus via a network, the server comprising:

a first memory configured to store original data without a water-mark;

a second memory configured to store a first water-mark associated with a folder ID of a folder which includes the original data associated with a document ID and with a first user ID indicating a predetermined user, and to store a second water-mark associated with the same folder ID as the first water-mark and with a second user ID indicating a plurality of users including the predetermined user; and

a controller configured, when the user requests the server to display the original data on a display of the terminal apparatus by inputting the document ID and the first user ID, to determine whether the first water-mark and the second water-mark are stored in the second memory with respect to the document ID and the first user ID, to transform the original data into image data, ~~to obtain the folder ID of the folder which includes the original data associated with the document ID when the first water-mark is not stored in the second memory with respect to the document ID and the first user ID,~~ to select the first water-mark as a priority with respect to the second water-mark when the first water-mark and the second water-mark are stored in the second memory with respect to the

folder ID and the first user ID, to add the selected first water-mark to the image data, and to transmit the image data with the selected first water-mark to the terminal apparatus and when the first watermark is determined to not be store in the second memory with respect to the document ID and the first user ID, to obtain the folder ID of the folder which includes the original data associated with the document ID.

25-28. (Canceled).

29. (New) An image management method for controlling a server connectable to a terminal apparatus via a network, the server including a first memory that stores original data without a watermark, a second memory that stores a first watermark associated with a folder ID of a folder which includes the original data associated with a document ID and with a first user ID indicating a predetermined user, and that stores a second watermark associated with the same folder ID as the first watermark and with a second user ID indicating a plurality of users including the predetermined user, the image management method comprising:

determining, when the user requests the server to display the original data on a display of the terminal apparatus by inputting the document ID and the first user ID, whether the first watermark and the second watermark are stored in the second memory with respect to the document ID and the first user ID;

transforming the original data into image data;

selecting, when it is determined that the first watermark and the second watermark are stored in the second memory with respect to the folder ID and the first user ID, the first watermark as a priority with respect to the second watermark;

adding the selected first watermark to the image data; and

transmitting the image data with the selected first watermark to the terminal apparatus;

obtaining, when it is determined that the first watermark is not stored in the second memory with respect to the document ID and the first user ID, the folder ID of the folder which includes the original data associated with the document ID.